# School District of Wakulla County, Florida <br> EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION <br> GIFTED CHARACTERISTICS CHECKLIST 

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INSTRUCTIONS: This student is currently being evaluated for possible inclusion in the Gifted Program. Your observations would be very helpful in the evaluation. Please use the ratings below and return this form to my mailbox. Thank you.
(0) Below Average
(1) Average
(2) Above Average
(3) Superior
(4) Outstanding

## Learning Characteristics

1. Evidences outstanding vocabulary, verbal fluency.
2. Possesses a large storehouse of information about a variety of topics.
3. Has quick mastery and recall of factual information.
4. Has rapid insight into cause-effect relationships. Tries to discover the how and why.
5. Has a ready grasp of underlying principles. Can make generalizations.
6. Is a keen and alert observer.
7. Reads a great deal on his/her own.
8. Reasons things out for himself/herself.
9. Is inquisitive.

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Motivational Characteristics

1. Becomes absorbed and truly involved in certain topics or problems.
2. Is easily bored with routine tasks.
3. Needs little external motivation to follow through in work that initially excites him/her; persistent.
4. Strives toward perfection; is self-critical.
5. Works independently; requires little direction from teachers.
6. Is interested in many "adult" problems (religion, politics, etc.).
7. Is self-assertive or stubborn in his/her beliefs.
8. Likes to organize or bring structure to things.
9. Evaluates and passes judgments on events, people, things.

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## Creativity Characteristics

1. Displays curiosity.
2. Offers ideas or solutions to problems.
3. Is uninhibited in expression of opinion.
4. Is a high risk taker; is adventurous and speculative.
5. Displays intellectual playfulness (manipulates ideas; tries to adapt, improve or modify things).
6. Displays a keen sense of humor.
7. Shows emotional sensitivity.
8. Is nonconforming, in individualistic.
9. Criticizes constructively.
10.Questions arbitrary decisions.

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Leadership

1. Carries responsibility well.
2. Is self-confident with peers and adults.
3. Seems to be well liked by his/her classmates.
4. Is cooperative.
5. Can express himself/herself well.
6. Adapts readily to new situations; is flexible.
7. Is sociable; outgoing.
8. Tends to dominate others.

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Please list any special talents in areas such as music, art, drama, creative writing, etc.

Please list any extra curricular (i.e. sports, or club) activities this student participates in:

Do you believe this student needs and/or could benefit from the Gifted program:

Please specify any characteristics which might make participation in the Gifted program unwise for this student:

